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Drawings

2. The drawings were received on September 27, 2004. These drawings are acceptable.

Conclusion

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